GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4460
ANSWERED ON:24.04.2000
FAMILY COURTS IN DELHI
RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA;SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV (PATIL)

Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to create 15 Family Courts in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether the Government have also sanctioned 15 posts of Judges and supporting staff for these Courts;

(c) if so, whether the Government also propose to set up such Family Courts in other parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government for setting up the these Courts in rest of the States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI)

(a)&(b):The Government of India has sanctioned 15 posts of Judges of Family Courts along with the supporting staff for NCT of Delhi.

(c) :Family Courts have been set up in a number of States and in the Union territory of Pondicherry.At present, there are 79 Family Courts in the Country.

(d) :The detailed break up of Family Courts State/UT wise is attached.

(e)&(f):The Family Courts Act, 1984 is an enabling Act. On the basis of a specific request made by a State Government, the Central Government extends the jurisdiction of this Act to the concerned State. The State Government, after consultation with its High Court, may establish family courts by a notification for area in the State comprising a city or town whose population exceeds one million or in any other area in the State as it may deem necessary.

The Central Government is periodically taking up with the concerned State/UT the matter regarding setting up of family courts.

STATEMENT

Reply to part (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.4460 for answer on 24.4.2000.

State/UT wise break up of number of Family Courts.

1. Andhra Pradesh (7)
Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam, Tirupathi, Warangal, Kurnool, Secundrabad.

2. Assam (1) : Guwahati

3. Bihar (2) : Dhanbad and Patna.

4. Karnataka (8)

Bangalore(3), Belgaum, Bijapur, Gulbarga, Mysore, Raichur.

5. Kerala (7)

Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Ernakulam,
Thrissur, Kozhikode, Kottayam, Manjeri.

6. Maharashtra (16)

Pune(5), Mumbai(7), Aurangabad(2), Nagpur(2).

7. Manipur (1)

8. Orissa (2) : Cuttack and Rourkela.

9. Pondicherry (1) : Pondicherry

10. Rajasthan (6)

Jaipur(2), Jodhpur, Udaipur, Kotah & Ajmer.

11. Sikkim (1) : Gangtok

12. Tamil Nadu (6)

Chennai(3), Madurai, Coimbatore & Salem.

13. Uttar Pradesh (16)

Kanpur(2), Lucknow(2), Gorakhpur, Jhansi,
Bareilly Allahabad, Meerut, Agra, Varanasi,
Moradabad, Nainital, Pauri Garhwal, Faizabad and Azamgarh.

14. West Bengal (1) : Calcutta.

15. Gujarat (4) : Ahmedabad